





# MISSOULA INTERAGENCY DISPATCH CENTER

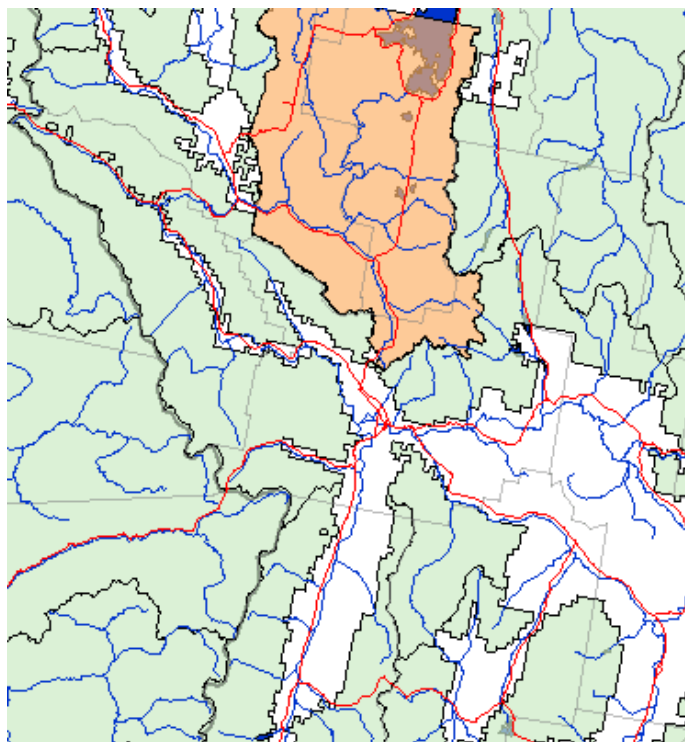
## AM SITUATION REPORT

September 14, 2012 @ 0900

### PREPAREDNESS LEVELS

| Local | GACC | Nat'l |
|-------|------|-------|
| 4     | 4    | 3     |

| <div>  <b>Current Fire Danger</b>  </div> |         |       |            |                         |
|---|---------|-------|------------|-------------------------|
| <b>EXTREME</b>  |         |       |            |                         |
| FDRA  | Indices | Value | Percentile | Dispatch Response Level |
| Lolo East (FM:G)  | ERC     | 68    | 97         | High                    |
|   | BI      | 59    | 86         |                         |
| Lolo West (FM:G)  | ERC     | 66    | 96         | High                    |
|   | BI      | 61    | 89         |                         |
| Clearwater (FM:G)   | ERC     | 66    | N/A        | High                    |
|   | BI      | 52    | N/A        |                         |
| HotSprings (FM:G)   | ERC     | 75    | N/A        | High                    |
|   | BI      | 68    | N/A        |                         |



24 Hours [Lightning Report](#) 1000-1000

| <u>Detection Flights for Today</u> | East Zone        | West Zone  | SWLO       |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|
|                                    | 07G              | 441        | 12B        |
|                                    | No request/Smoke | No request | On request |

### AREA DISCUSSION:

**The SW MT Zone / Flathead Reservation are in Stage 1 Fire Restrictions.**

South Fork Lolo 2 (D3): 3 acres; monitored by air; burning in the Selway Bitterroot Wilderness in very steep and difficult to access terrain; afternoon detection flight reported smoldering and creeping fire behavior with little change in acreage.

Revais (CSKT): 4.5 acres; lightning; ICT3: Houle; 1 engine, WT, 1 crew assigned; continuing to secure line and mop up.

Mollman (CSKT): .25 acre; lightning; monitor by air; burning in the Mollman Creek drainage in the Missions; continue to monitor.

Black Tail Ridge (PLN): 306 acres; contained; ICT3: Bob Airhart; ICT3 (T): D. Browning; crews continue with mop up.

Elevation Mountain (CLW): 877 acres; contained; ICT3: M. Gramm; fire continues to clean itself up in the interior; crews continue to mop-up and patrol on all divisions.

Wedge Creek (D6): 1780 acres; 0% contained; Point Zone Protection; ICT3: Phil Shelmerdine; ICT3 (T): Brice Jones. Most of the fire's activity still remains in the Falls Creek and Hayden Creek drainages; the fire has been fairly calm today; will continue to monitor.

Falls Point (D6): 266 acres; 0% contained; Point Zone Protection; fire was turned back to Seeley RD.

White Horse (CSKT): 167 acres; ICT3: J. Steele; fire did not grow any yesterday; continue to monitor.

Schley (CSKT): 50 acres; no smoke visible; will continue monitoring.

West Garceau (CSKT): 9,863 acres, contained; 2 FFTR's assigned to do rehab work.

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| <b><u>Duty Officers</u></b> | <b>Forest</b>         | Wilson   |
|                             | <b>DNRC</b>           | Kopitzke |
|                             | <b>Missoula RD</b>    | Jacobson |
|                             | <b>Missoula Unit</b>  | Hall     |
|                             | <b>Nine Mile RD</b>   | Hayes    |
|                             | <b>Seeley Lake RD</b> | S. Jones |



## Weather Discussion



FIRE WEATHER PLANNING FORECAST FOR WRN MT AND N CNTRL ID NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE MISSOULA MT 423 AM MDT FRI SEP 14 2012

...RED FLAG WARNING IN EFFECT FROM NOON TODAY TO MIDNIGHT MDT TONIGHT FOR BITTERROOT...DEERLODGE/WEST BEAVERHEAD...EAST BEAVERHEAD...

...RED FLAG WARNING IN EFFECT FROM 11 AM THIS MORNING TO 11 PM PDT THIS EVENING FOR PALOUSE/HELLS CANYON...CLEARWATER/NEZ PERCE...

\* THE BREAKDOWN OF A RIDGE OF HIGH PRESSURE WILL CREATE VERY UNSTABLE CONDITIONS TODAY. INSTABILITY WILL COMBINE WITH WINDY CONDITIONS...VERY LOW HUMIDITY AND HIGH HAINES TO CREATE INCREASED FIRE DANGER ALONG MID SLOPES AND RIDGE TOPS.

\* WINDS: WEST 10 TO 15 MPH WITH GUSTS UP TO 25 MPH.

\* MINIMUM HUMIDITIES: 7 TO 13 PERCENT.

\* HAINES INDEX: 6 HIGH...POTENTIAL FOR PLUME DOMINATED FIRES.

\* TIMING: HUMIDITIES WILL REACH A MINIMUM FRIDAY AFTERNOON, WITH WINDS BECOMING GUSTY DURING THE SAME TIME. ESTIMATED TIME FOR STRONGEST WINDS WILL BE BETWEEN 1500 MDT/1400 PDT AND SUNSET.

DISCUSSION...VERY DRY...VERY UNSTABLE CONDITIONS THIS AFTERNOON WITH GUSTY RIDGE TOP WINDS HAVE PROMPTED THE RED FLAG WARNING. VALLEY INVERSIONS WILL BE REINFORCED BY THE SMOKE THEY TRAP, KEEPING TEMPERATURES DOWN AND NOT ALLOWING A LOT OF MIXING THIS AFTERNOON. HOWEVER, MID-SLOPES AND RIDGES WILL BE FULLY EXPOSED TO THE WINDS AND UNSTABLE CONDITIONS. WORST CONDITIONS ARE EXPECTED FROM 1500 MDT/1400 PDT TO SUNSET.

Click [HERE](#) to view Fire Weather Zone Maps



# INCIDENT SUMMARY

## Lolo NF

| <u>Start Date</u> | <u>Unit</u> | <u>Incident Name</u> | <u>Size (Acres)</u> | <u>Cause</u> | <u>Status</u>         | <u>Location</u> | <u>Remarks</u>  |
|-------------------|-------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---|
| 9/10/12           | D3          | South Fork Lolo 2    | 3                   | L            | Monitor               | T10N R22W 24    | Burning in Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness; monitor by air patrol. |
| 8/18/12           | D6          | Wedge Creek          | 1,760               | L            | Point Zone Protection | T17N R12W 27    | ICT3:P.Shelmerdine<br>ICT3(T):B.Jones                           |
| 7/30/12           | D6          | Falls Point          | 266                 | L            | Point Zone Protection | T17N R10W 20    | Elbow Pass Complex.   |

## DNRC

| <u>Start Date</u> | <u>Unit</u> | <u>Incident Name</u> | <u>Size (Acres)</u> | <u>Cause</u> | <u>Status</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Remarks</u>                          |
|-------------------|-------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|---|
| 9/2/12            | PLN         | Black Tail Ridge     | 306                 | H            | Contained     | T19N R26W 16    | ICT3: B. Airhart; ICT3 (T): D. Browning |
| 8/21/12           | CLW         | Elevation Mountain   | 877                 | L            | Contained     | T13N R13W 34    | ICT3: M.Gramm                           |

## CSKT

| <u>Start Date</u> | <u>Unit</u> | <u>Incident Name</u> | <u>Size (Acres)</u> | <u>Cause</u> | <u>Status</u>   | <u>Location</u> | <u>Remarks</u>  |
|-------------------|-------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| 9/10/12           | CSKT        | Mollman              | .25                 | L            | Monitor         | T20N R19W 13    | Fire hasn't grown much; continue to monitor.              |
| 9/9/12            | CSKT        | Revais               | 6                   | L            | Extended Attack | T17N R22W 6     | ICT4: Houle; 1 engine, WT, 1 crew assigned.               |
| 8/29/12           | CSKT        | White Horse          | 167                 | L            | Monitor         | T16N R18W 10    | Fire did not grow in size yesterday. Continue to monitor. |
| 8/25/12           | CSKT        | Schley               | 50                  | L            | Monitor         | T15N R19W 10    | No visible smoke; continue to monitor.                    |
| 8/13/12           | CSKT        | West Garceau         | 9863                | H            | Controlled      | T22N R23W 1     | 2 FFTR's assigned to do rehab.                            |

See Live Incident Activity, retrieve management codes, and read past activity at Missoula Dispatch's WildWEB

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